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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Jan Vanhoof et al.

Group Art Unit 2143

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For : INTERPROCESS COMMUNICATION  
PROTOCOL SYSTEM

Examiner : Jerry B. Dennison

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-captioned application as described herein.

**Amendments to the Specification:** Begin on page 2 of this Preliminary Amendment.

**Remarks:** Begin on page 3 of this Preliminary Amendment.